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Examiner: Jacques H. Louis-Jacques

In Re APPLICATION Of:

Applicants : Katsuaki MINAMI et al.

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For : EVALUATION SYSTEM FOR

VEHICLE OPERATING)

CONDITIONS AND EVALUATION METHOD THEREOF)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated September 8, 2004, the undersigned Attorney of Record, in behalf of the applicants and assignee, hereby disclaim the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 USC §§154 to 156, and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, of any United States Patent issuing from Application No. 10/621,394, and hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the instant application and to be binding upon the assignee, its successor or assigns.

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In making the above disclaimer, the undersigned does not disclaim any terminal part of any patent granted on the instant application that would extend the expiration date of the full statutory term as defined in 35 USC §§154 to 156 and 173, as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer of the prior patent, in the event that it later: expires for failure to pay a maintenance fee, is held unenforceable or is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, is statutorily disclaimed in whole or terminally disclaimed under 37 CFR §1.123, has all claims canceled by a reexamination certificate, is reissued, or is otherwise terminated prior to the expiration of its full statutory term as presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer, except for the separation of legal title stated above.

The applicable terminal disclaimer fee under 37 CFR §120(d) is submitted simultaneously with the Amendment in the amount of \$110.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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